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BYU is creating a new Homecoming Spectacular set that will take on the look of New Orleans.

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**Big winners**

Shawn Colvin's "Sunny Came Home" won Record of the Year at the 40th annual Grammys.

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Final hurrah

The women's basketball team takes on Tulsa tonight, at 7 in its final home game this season.

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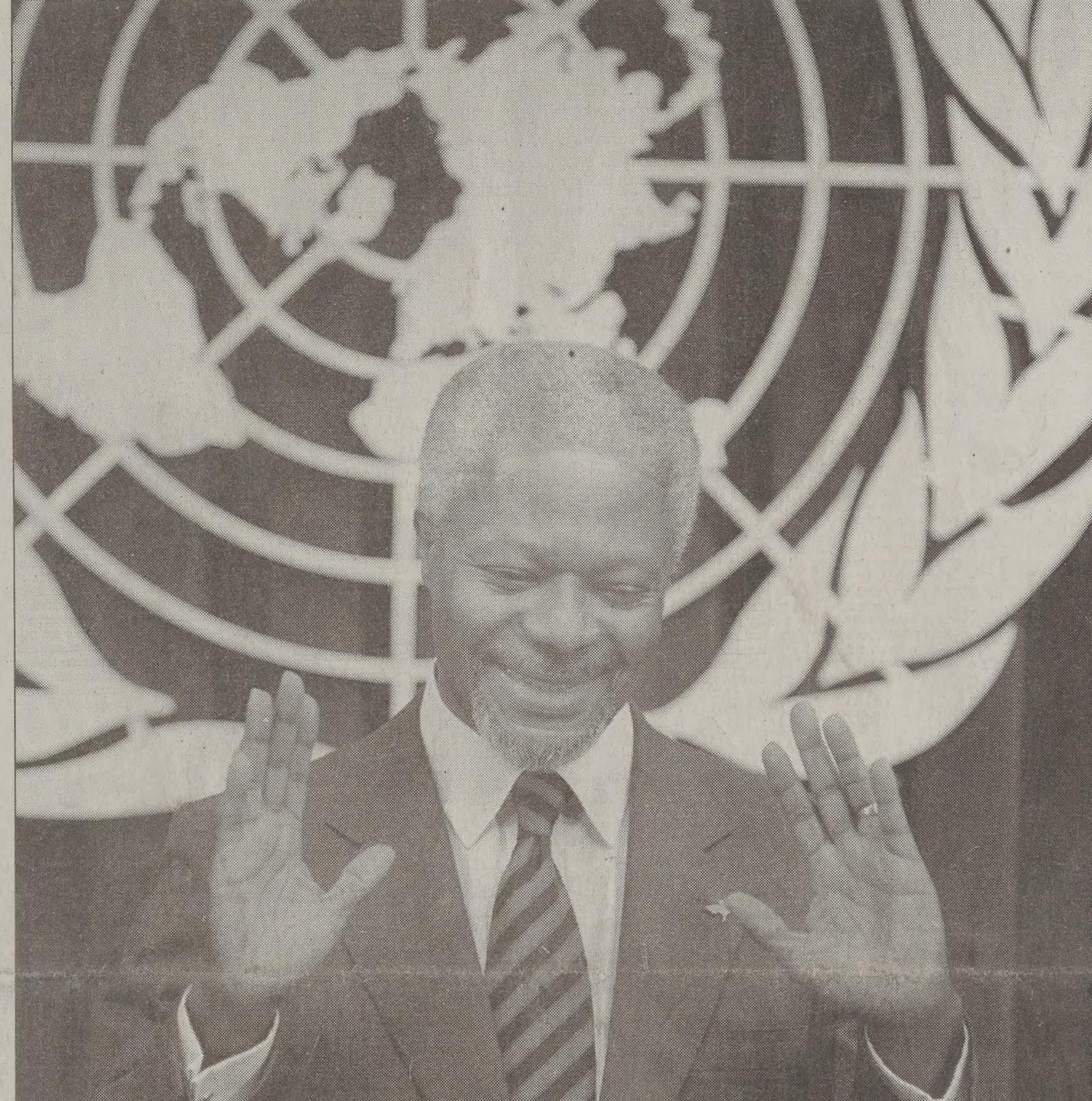


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OP criticizes U.N. deal

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U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan smiles during a meeting Tuesday with reporters in New York after his return from Iraq. Annan predicted that

key nations would give his deal with Iraq their unanimous support. But some Republican senators criticized the deal Wednesday.

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Record storm tosses Utah into a wild flurry

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A record-setting storm dumped more than 2 feet of new snow on northern Utah Wednesday, grounding flights, snarling the morning commute and leaving police hopping from one accident to another.

The Salt Lake Valley was hardest hit by the storm.

"El Nino is basically the reason we've had such frequent storm activity this winter, (but) it's usually been rain in the valleys, though the mountains have gotten good amounts of snow," chief meteorologist Bill Alder said. "(With) this one, we pulled some colder air in from the Northwest, and that's what turned this all into snow."

By midday, forecasters had measured a 24-hour total of nearly 18 inches of new snow at Salt Lake International Airport, which was forced to close at 6 a.m. by near-whiteout conditions.

Crews had cleared away enough of the snow by 2 p.m. to allow departing flights to continue on one runway.

The so-called "Lake Effect," where warmer air off the Great Salt Lake accentuates precipitation, made Wednesday's storm a record-setter, Alder said.

Tuesday's total was a record for the 24th, while the snowfall also pushed February's moisture total to 4.43 inches, the most for any winter month. The previous record was 4.37 inches set in December 1983.

Salt Lake's east benches reported snow totals up to 28 inches. Two ski resorts — Alta and Snowbird, east of Salt Lake — reported new snowfalls of 23 and 22 inches, respectively.

The Salt Lake County sheriff's office alone took about 100 traffic accident calls during the brunt of the storm, between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m., said dispatch supervisor Tracy Shimmin. He expected the count would reach several hundred by day's end.

The Utah Highway Patrol and local police departments also were kept busy responding to accident scenes, but none were reported to involve serious injuries.

The heavy snowfall added up to an hour to commuters' drive time. Utah Transit Authority bus drivers reported delays of 45 minutes to an hour.

Snow tapered off by 9 a.m., but the National Weather Service issued a winter storm warning throughout the day for the Wasatch Mountains south of Interstate 80 and extended through Wednesday afternoon, an earlier heavy snow warning for Salt Lake, southern Davis and eastern Tooele counties.

Several private schools in Salt Lake City closed, as did the county's offices, but public schools remained open — a decision that angered many students' parents.

They called officials at Salt Lake, Granite, Murray, Jordan and Davis schools districts to express their displeasure.

Late Tuesday, the storm was blamed for a power outage that hit the area of the Utah Capitol, leaving 20,000 customers in the dark. Utah Power crews had restored service by Wednesday morning.

In southwestern Utah, emergency crews were keeping close watch on the swollen Santa Clara and Virgin rivers.

The Santa Clara, usually a shallow stream, had been turned into a 20-foot-wide, 5-foot-deep river where it enters the Gunlock Reservoir, 25 miles northwest of St. George and 260 miles southeast of Salt Lake City.

A Washington County sheriff's dispatcher reported Wednesday that flooding danger had subsided along the Santa Clara and that the Gunlock Reservoir water level remained within safe limits.

The nearby Virgin River, which flows into St. George, also was reported well within its banks Wednesday.

sea to ski at Park City

anything from Secret Service or White House officials by late Wednesday afternoon, either.

"You'd think we would have seen some of their advance people," said Charlie Lansche, spokesman at Park City Mountain Ski Resort, the oldest of the three ski areas in the mining-turned-resort town.

The timing couldn't be better.

Skies cleared Wednesday afternoon after an El Nino-spawned storm dumped 3 feet of snow on Park City in two days.

Lansche said the president must be well informed.

"Obviously the president has done his homework about where the very best skiing on the planet is," Lansche said.

Billings calls Olympics 'no big deal'

By AMY FOX
University Staff Writer

After attending Nagano's Winter Olympics, Provo City Mayor Lewis Billings said hosting an Olympic event won't be any big deal.

Billings left for Nagano more than a week and a half ago to get a first-hand look at what goes into hosting an Olympic event.

"The Japanese are tremendous hosts," Billings said. "They made it an experience from the moment you stepped into the arena until you left."

After participating in what Billings termed "the Nagano experience," he said that the big task for Utah County now is to be as gracious as the Japanese.

Billings had the opportunity to talk to the mayor of Karuizawa who said having the Olympics there was not that big of a deal. He told Billings the city

had not spent any tax money on the Olympics, and that it had not encountered any debt because of its involvement.

Karuizawa hosted the curling event and housed some of the athletes during the games. Billings stayed in Karuizawa because the distance from this city to Nagano is only slightly further than Provo is from Salt Lake City.

Billings said there were only about 3,000 people in attendance at the curling events. However, Provo's venue's capacity is 8,500 spectators.

"This is not insurmountable," Billings said. "People need to realize that the Olympics are not going to be 16 days of what it is like when a BYU football game gets out."

Billings said there is no doubt people will look to Provo for lodging during the next Winter Olympics.

"Lodging in Utah County is expected to be full,"

Billings said. "Utah County has the second largest hotel/motel availability in the state."

Despite the large influx of people expected during the Winter Games, Billings does not think it would necessarily be wise to build more lodging.

"We have to do what makes sense for long-term future of Provo," he said.

Billings is hoping to be able to coordinate with local universities, especially BYU, during the games.

"I would like to find some way to coordinate with BYU to have students participate as hosts and hostesses," Billings said. "There are a lot of high-quality, multilingual students. It would be great for students to become part of hosting a world event."

Billings said there is good and bad to be found in having the Olympics here. Now that the attention is on us, Billings said to look for the good and get excited about being the best of all Utah's hosts.

Prophet approves temple property

Universe Services

Land for a temple in Ghana has been approved for purchase by President Gordon B. Hinckley, president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

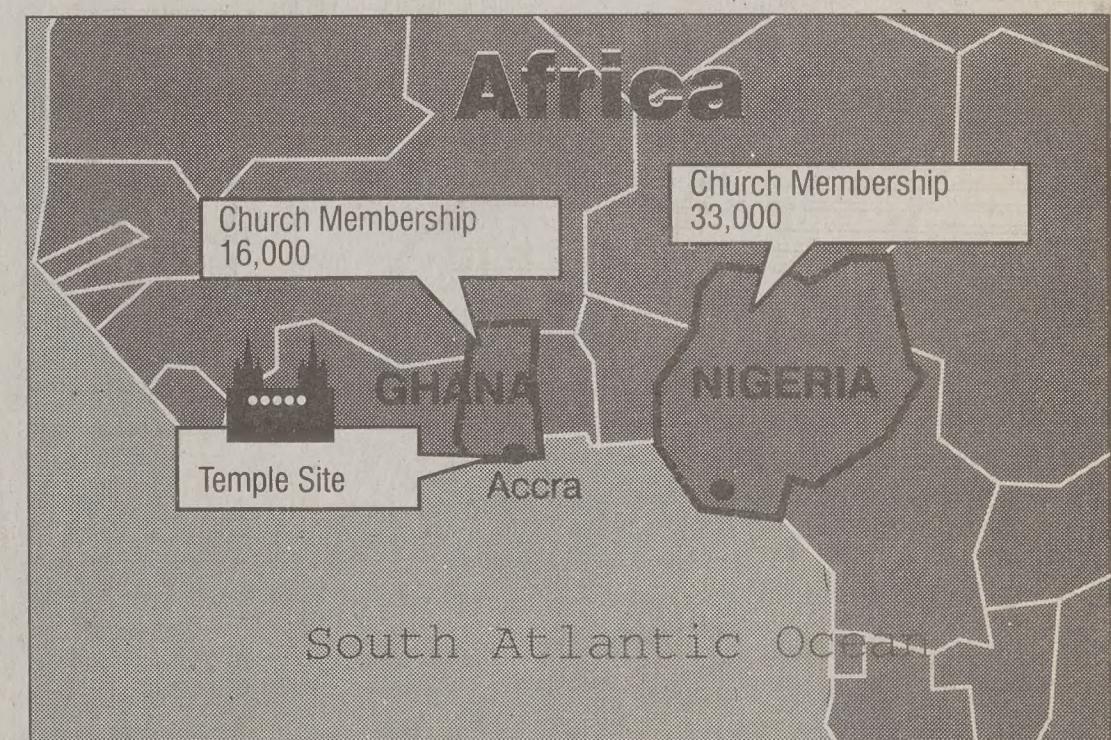
According to the LDS Church News, the temple site is 3.6 acres and in a residential neighborhood along one of the main thoroughfares in Accra, Ghana's capital city.

Feb. 16, before President Hinckley announced plans for building a temple in Ghana, he visited the prospective temple site in Accra. With him were Elder Jeffrey R. Holland of the Quorum of the Twelve and Elder James O. Mason of the Seventy and president of the Africa Area.

President Hinckley said the members in west Africa have gone a long time without a temple.

"When I was here five years ago, we tried to find a place to build a temple. We didn't find anything, and we didn't say anything to anybody. (But) this morning we approved the purchase of a beautiful piece of ground," he said.

He also said the temple will take several years to complete; but, once it is finished, the Saints in the area will not have to travel to London or Johannesburg to attend the temple.



Graphic by John Lepinski

President Hinckley told Jerry Rawlings, Ghana's president, the church plans to do more building in Africa to accommodate members.

Rawlings responded optimistically and said he was supportive of the LDS Church and its objectives.

These positive remarks helped end the misunderstandings of Ghana's government about the church. In 1989, the government shut down the church's operations after it heard a false report that church members were

working against the government. During that time, church buildings were locked and guarded by police, and the members could only hold church meetings in private homes. In addition, foreign missionaries were expelled from the country.

The government, however, allowed the church to continue operations after Dec. 1, 1990.

The Feb. 16 meeting between Rawlings and President Hinckley officially closed the 1989 matter.

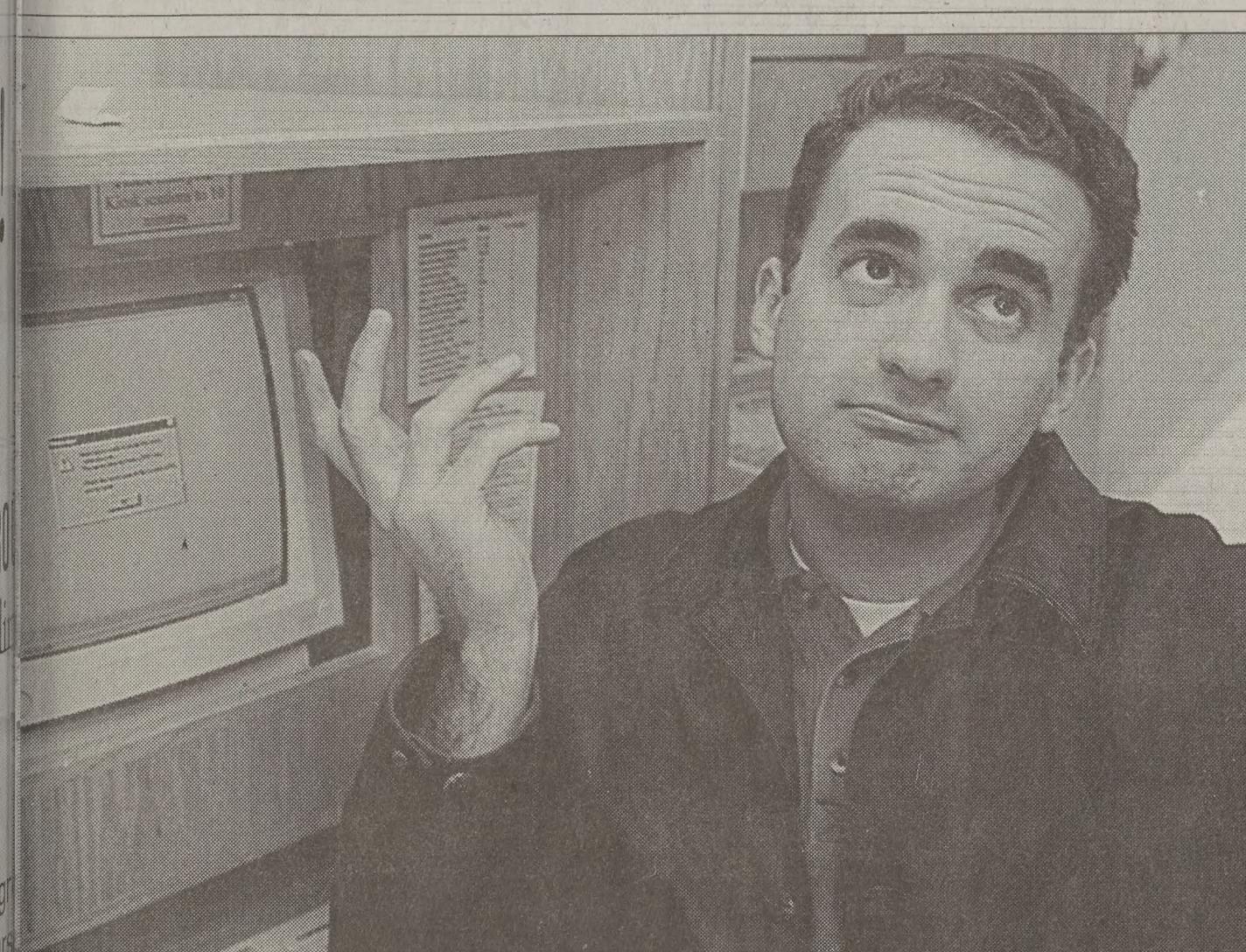


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Mason, a senior from Modesto, Calif., throws his hands up in frustration as Route Y crashes ... again.

Many students have been experiencing problems with Route Y, system crashes and long lines for limited computer access.



News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Dynamite thieves 'ordinary' men

SLIGO, Pa. — Three friends who stole nearly a ton of explosives from a coal mine were "just basic, local, stupid young men" who did it for kicks, the chief investigator in the case said Wednesday.

"They went out and stole this stuff, and they didn't have any idea what they were going to do with this stuff," said Dan Boeh, supervisor of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms in western Pennsylvania.

The three men — Jerry Willette, 20, Ricky Morris, 18, and Marlin Bellesfield, 19 — were arrested and charged this week with burglary, theft and risking a catastrophe. They were jailed on \$100,000 bail each.

The theft, which was discovered Feb. 16, had prompted a nationwide alert because of fears of terrorism, especially since it came right before Secretary of State Madeleine Albright's appearance in Columbus, Ohio, 180 miles west of Sligo.

The nearly 1,800 pounds of ammonium nitrate and fuel oil compared with the 2 1/2 tons of ammonium nitrate and fuel oil contained within the bomb that destroyed the federal building in Oklahoma City.

"As a result of our investigation, I can confidently allay any fears these individuals were connected with an anti-government or domestic terrorist group," FBI agent Robert Rudge said.

5 arrested for rare animal deaths

BEIJING — Chinese police have arrested five people suspected of killing giant pandas and golden monkeys, rare animals whose killers can face the death penalty.

Police in southern China's Hunan province confiscated five golden monkey pelts from two men from northern Gansu province who were arrested Feb. 6, the state-run Xinhua news agency said Wednesday.

The police contacted their counterparts in Gansu, who found another five golden monkey pelts and two panda pelts in a farmer's home. Members of the farmer's family confessed to killing ten golden monkeys and two pandas, Xinhua said.

China has no more than 1,000 pandas left in the wild and only several thousand golden monkeys, Xinhua said.

L.A. officers get shotguns for safety

LOS ANGELES — Officers patrolling around city schools are being given more firepower.

The Los Angeles Unified School District board voted 5-2 Monday to buy shotguns after district police said they are in increasing danger because their patrols often take them into gang- and crime-ridden neighborhoods.

The district will buy 75 Remington 12-gauge shotguns. The shotguns will be locked in patrol cars while officers, who will continue to carry pistols, make their foot patrols.

The vote followed a contentious hearing during which some board members argued they feared accidental shootings while others said the plan would protect students.

Pneumonia may affect lung capacity

BOSTON — Having pneumonia as a child is linked to reduced lung capacity in adulthood.

A variety of studies have suggested that childhood lung diseases can have lingering effects. A new study, published in today's New England Journal of Medicine, provides some of the strongest evidence yet.

It found that people in their 30s who had pneumonia before age 7 have about 6 percent lower lung capacity than those who did not. It's still not certain whether the disease is actually responsible for the difference.

As the researchers put it: "It remains unclear whether pneumonia causes the deficit in lung function or whether pneumonia is more common among children who have poorer lung function before the disease."

The study was conducted by Dr. Ian D.A. Johnston and others from Queens Medical Center in Nottingham, England.

The researchers based their study on lung tests given to 1,392 British adults at age 34 or 45. From medical records, doctors knew which ones had pneumonia as children.



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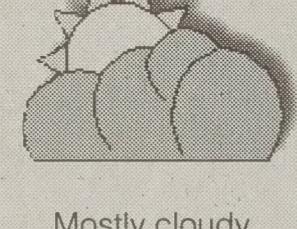
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Nails provide link in clinic bombings

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Investigators have found a tentative link between an Atlanta abortion clinic bombing and the suspect in last month's fatal bombing at a Birmingham, Ala., clinic, CBS News and CNN reported.

Both networks said 1 1/2-inch flooring nails similar to the ones used as shrapnel in the Jan. 1997 bombing of an Atlanta abortion clinic were found in a storage shed rented by Eric Robert Rudolph in North Carolina.

That conclusion was made by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms' laboratory in Atlanta, CNN said Tuesday night. CBS said the FBI is on the verge of naming Rudolph to its most wanted list.

ATF spokesman Bill King said Wednesday that he could not confirm or deny the reports.

"We're working diligently at solving the Atlanta bombing cases, assisting Birmingham and trying to determine

the impact of Mr. Rudolph and whether he's involved in any of the Atlanta bombings," King said. "We can't rule him in or out at this point."

FBI spokeswoman Celestine Armstead also declined to comment.

Rudolph is wanted on federal charges in the Jan. 29 explosion at the New Woman All Women clinic in Birmingham that killed an off-duty police officer and seriously injured a nurse.

Investigators have been searching for him for nearly four weeks in western North Carolina, where he last lived. Their search included a storage shed rented by Rudolph in Murphy, N.C.

CNN's report noted that Rudolph is a carpenter and his possession of nails could be a coincidence.

A task force of federal and state agents is investigating three bombings in the Atlanta area, including the explosion at the Atlanta abortion clinic that injured seven people.

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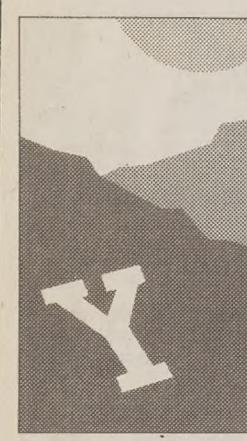
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OPINION

If you want change, vote

It may seem trite at this point to even mention it, but the BYUSA elections really DO matter.

Elections organizers are in the midst of a major campaign to boost student voting. Typically, only 15-20 percent of students vote; this year, BYUSA is hoping for 35 percent, which is still not very much.

Why don't students vote in BYUSA presidential elections? In national elections, the trend has been for people to feel their vote doesn't matter. They're only one person, and it seems unlikely that one candidate will defeat another by only one vote.

That doesn't seem to be the case, however, with BYUSA elections. Instead, many students have the attitude that it actually doesn't matter who wins, making the decision of whom to vote for seem even less important.

Students are largely unfamiliar with the workings of BYUSA as an organization, let alone what the president specifically does. Hence, many students have no strong desire to elect one candidate over another, apparently feeling one person can do a "nothing" job just as well as someone else can.

This sentiment is not in line with the facts, however. The BYUSA president is the students' liaison with the administration. If he or she does the job right, he or she will be in touch with students' feelings and concerns and relay them to the people who can effect changes.

The BYUSA president is also students' connection with the rest of the local community. BYU is becoming increasingly connected with the outside world, with BYU students running for and even being elected to city council positions. The city of Provo has recently declared intentions of having a more open dialogue with BYU than it has in the past. If the city is serious about this, then the BYUSA president's role will be crucial in that relationship.

Even BYUSA's most noticeable function — organizing activities — relies heavily on the person at the head of the organization. A president without a feel for what students want to do for fun will not be effective in providing functions that get the students involved and out doing things.

What it boils down to is this: Students need someone who will understand them and communicate their feelings effectively to BYU administration, the city of Provo and the rest of the college world.

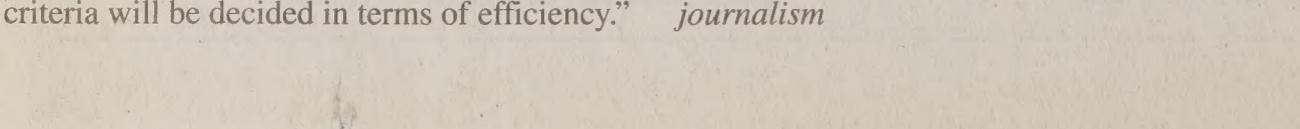
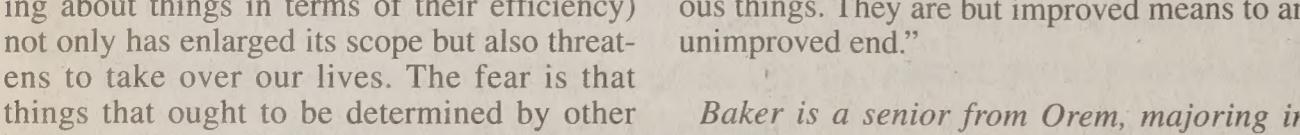
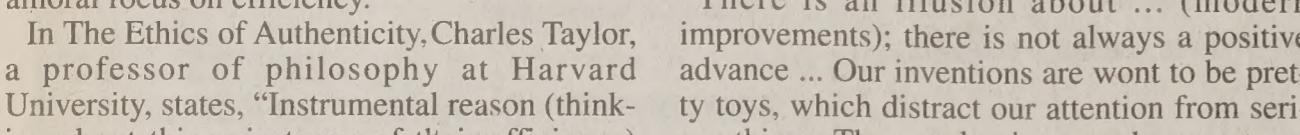
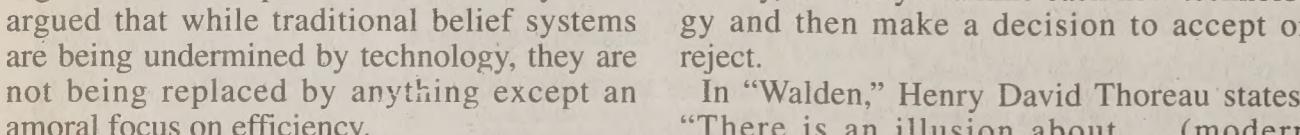
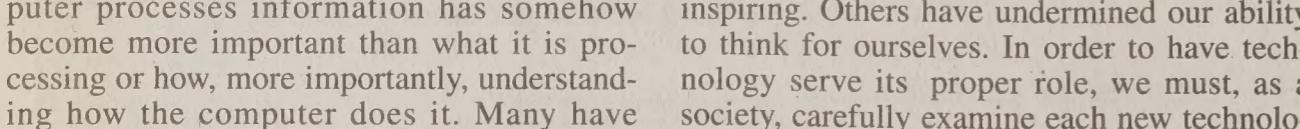
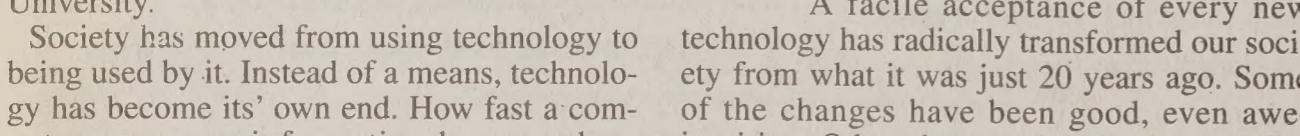
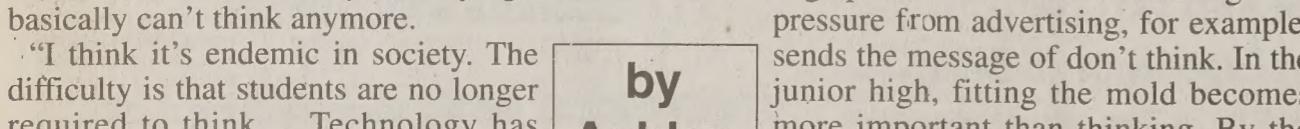
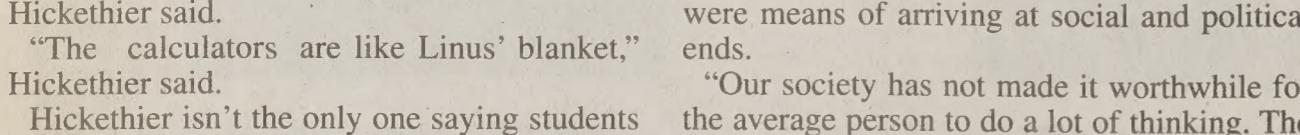
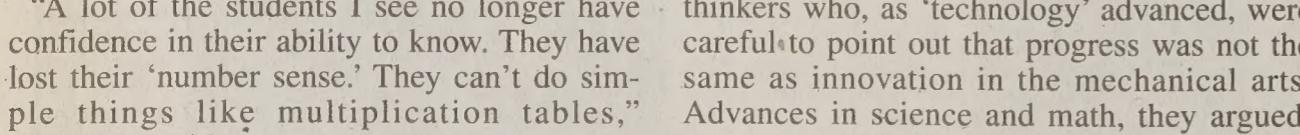
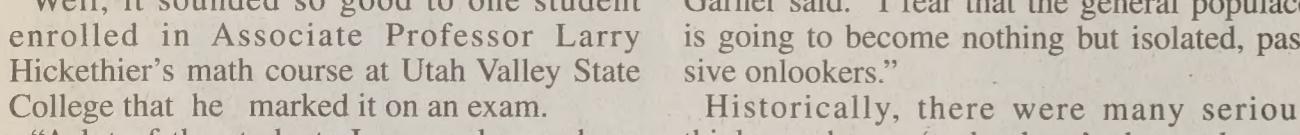
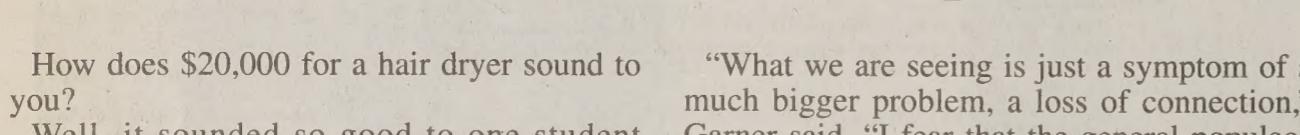
Perhaps this has not been understood clearly in the past. Indeed, once a BYUSA president has been elected, he has often drifted into oblivion as far as students are concerned, showing up at press conferences and in publicity photos every now and then but not really doing much, as far as the students can tell.

Perhaps the duty falls upon whoever is elected to make it known that he or she is still around, and that students don't need to forget them once they've voted — or not voted, as the case has been.

Let's make a deal with the BYUSA president, whoever he turns out to be. We'll look at the issues, consider the candidates, and make an informed vote in this election on the condition that whoever we elect doesn't fade out of our sight immediately thereafter.

We'll vote now, acting on faith that it really does matter who we vote for. And then we'll expect that whoever wins will not let us down.

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At-a-Glance

Seasons Suicide Bereavement Inc. is conducting a support group to help people cope with the suicide death of a loved one by developing a healthy understanding of their loss and working toward recovery. The group will meet today at 7 p.m. in the West Park Building, 750 N. 200 West #207, Provo. Contact Peggy McCausland at 373-9991 or Marty Matheson at 373-9656 for more details.

The Museum of Peoples and Cultures is offering a free guided tour of its Native American exhibits today at 11 a.m. The address is 100 E. 700 North.

Italian Club Games Night is tonight at 7:30 in 3211 ELWC. Bring finger food to share and come ready for fun.

The Peer Integrator Program sponsored by the International Office needs help welcoming the estimated 60 international students arriving at BYU for Spring Term. Contact the International Office, 350 SWKT, at 378-2695 as soon as possible if you can volunteer to be a friend to these students or help send pre-arrival letters on Friday.

Chinese Singers Needed. Anyone who can sing in Cantonese or Mandarin is invited to participate in the recording of hymns on CDs and cassettes to promote the gospel among the Chinese people. Those interested must commit to a weekly practice and audition Saturday. Contact Peter Chan at 378-2879 or e-mail him at ykc2@email.byu.edu, to schedule an audition time or for further details.

A workshop series called "Don't Let the Sizzle Fizzle" will be Thursdays in 3215 ELWC from 6:30 to 8 p.m. from Feb. 19 to March 26. Marriage and family therapy interns Sheila Mitchell and Kelly Walker are leading the seminar. Call Women's Services for more information or to sign up.

Another series, "Where Do I Go From Here?", will be Wednesdays in 2562 ELWC from 1 to 2 p.m. beginning Feb. 18. It is a life choices discussion group dealing with questions about education, family and career planning. For more info contact Barbara Morell, Counseling Career Center, at 378-3035.

The sixth annual Office Professionals Conference will be March 4-6. The theme will be "Oil for Our Lamps." The conference is co-sponsored by Human Resource Services and the Office Professionals Advisory Committee.

The Utah Midwives Association's annual conference will be Mar. 7 in Salt Lake City at the DUP Museum, 300 N. Main St. Topics will include comfort measures for labor and birth, circumcision, essential oils and gentle birth. For more information call Cathy O'Bryant at 465-4021.

Education equals economic stability

By JESSICA GLEASON
University Staff Writer

Countries that invest in education have stronger governments, more stable economies and better health than those countries that put little money toward education, according to Donald Holsinger.

Holsinger, director of the David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, said Wednesday at the International Forum Series at the Kennedy Center that the average level of education in a country influences the economic strength of that country.

But, Holsinger said, countries have a hard time putting money into education because "there is a lag between money input and the returns."

Holsinger said, "There is no such thing as money in the public treasury that doesn't have competition for its use."

There is, however, what Holsinger refers to as a "virtuous cycle." The first step of the virtuous cycle requires investment in education.

At the time of the initial investment, other areas of the country's economy get less money. But soon, as the education of the population increases, so does foreign investment and production in the country.

Holsinger said, "Education is not a consumption item. It is an investment item. If you want to boost your income, you invest your money where it is going to give you the best returns."

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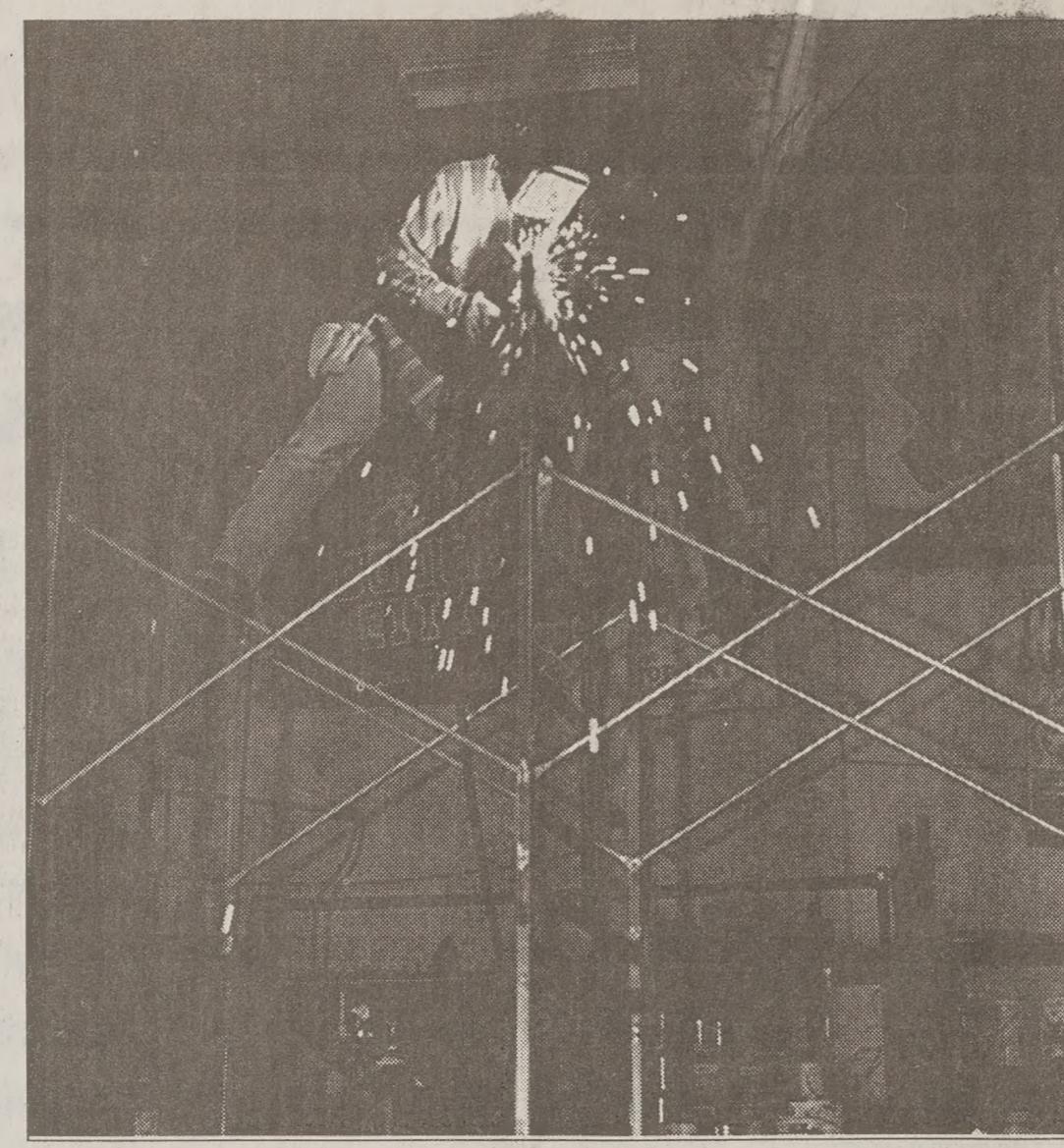
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Danny Erikson, 25, a junior studying mechanical engineering is welding the prototype of the new Homecoming Spectacular set.

Homecoming Spectacular builds set, Southern style

By ESTHER YU
University Staff Writer

Months before the next Homecoming celebration, BYU has begun to create a new Homecoming Spectacular set.

The set for the annual Homecoming Spectacular is a carefully planned process that is altered yearly but completely reconstructed every three years, says Michael Handley, the producer of the set and a resident lighting designer for BYU.

The new set will take on the look of New Orleans, he said. "We want to convey the audience to a setting that is very beautiful and elegant ... related to the American experience," Handley said.

The southern look will resemble what is seen in "Gone with the Wind," said Janelle Christiansen, the artistic designer for the show. It will have wrought-iron detailing and other effects to create a look that is "reminiscent of the gentle, southern plantation style," Christiansen said.

Some of the performance numbers will be structured to enhance the feeling that the set is giving, Christiansen said.

However, the southern design of the set is not meant to bring all the performances into the South, Handley said.

"We don't want to overemphasize it (the South) ... we want to create a set-

ting that is very elegant and will display the show groups nicely," Handley said.

The set is made with two levels. The orchestra will be on the second level in the balcony, as in previous years, and the performers will be on a balcony, Christiansen said.

"Behind the structure will be a backdrop of southern oak and Spanish moss ... and fiber-optic stars twinkling in the night," Handley said.

Planning and construction drawings take up the first part of the year. Building the set takes up the remainder of the year.

"As far as creating the whole show, we always start thinking about the next show immediately after the first one is over," Christiansen said.

The set is built during spring and summer and held in storage until October. Most of last year's set has been destroyed to make room for the new one, Handley said.

However, the set is not fully assembled and brought into the Marriott Center for the show until a few days prior, Handley said.

However, despite all the efforts put into creating a set, Handley said he knows where the "real success of the show" is. "No one comes to the show to look at the set. They come for the dancers, singers and musicians. As much as we do, we still respect the student performers as the stars of the evening," Handley said.

Correction

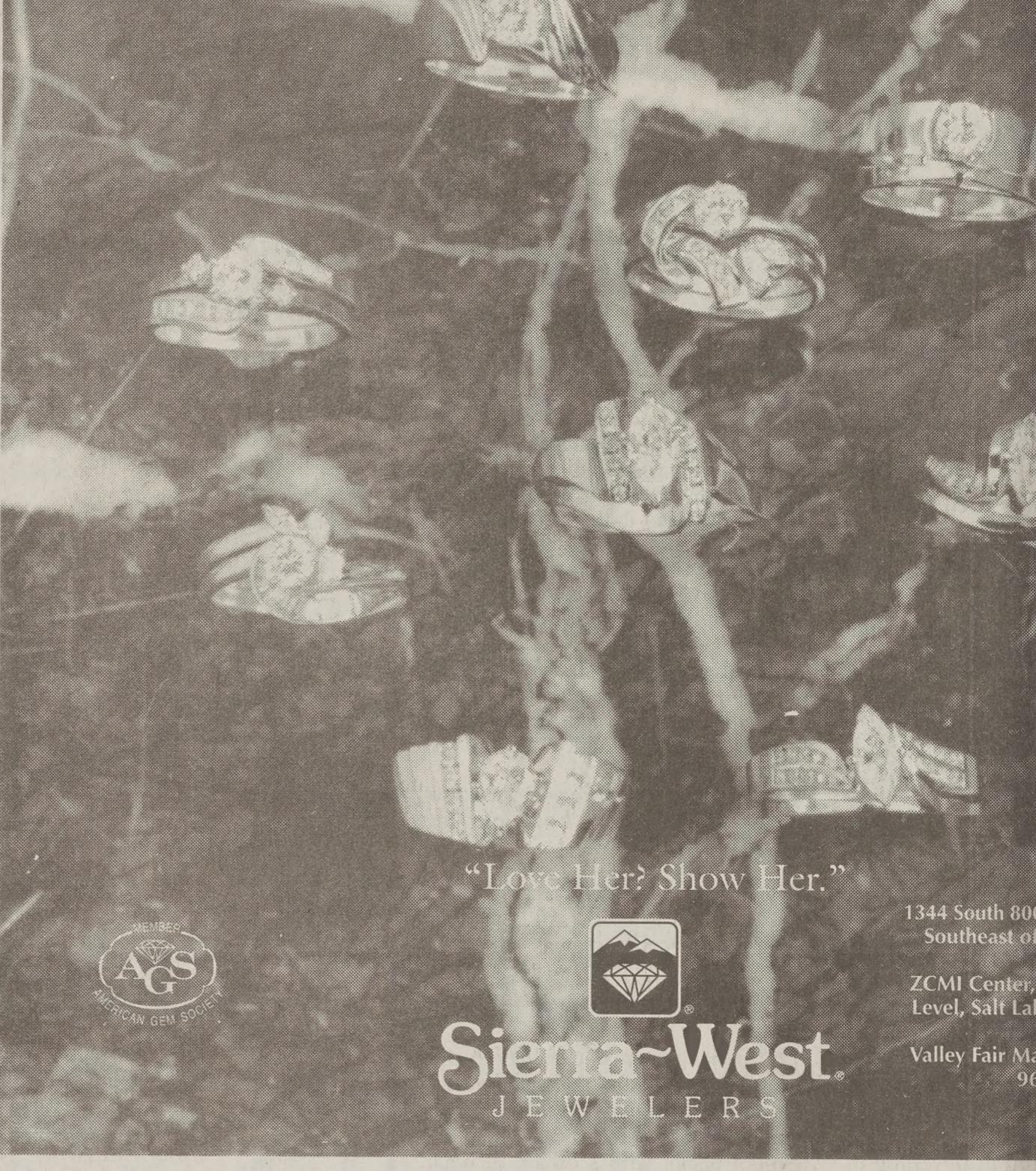
Tuesday's Campus article "Engineering week activities: balloons, booths and bridges," on page five, reported the incorrect location for a lecture to the College of Engineering and Technology.

The lecture will be in the auditorium of the Joseph Smith Building at 11 a.m.

The Daily Universe regrets the error.



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Grammy Awards full of surprises

BEGAN ELISON

Daily Universe Staff Writer

Brothers.

Presenter Vanessa Williams was involved in another hitch, as a backdrop nearly came down on her head as she walked on stage to name the first award.

The show, which was hosted by television celebrity Kelsey Grammar, also came up with a few musical surprises.

Older artists Bob Dylan and James Taylor were both honored in major categories, with Dylan's "Time Out of Mind" winning for Album of the Year and Taylor taking home the award for Best Pop Album.

R&B singer R. Kelly won the most awards of the evening. Nominated in five categories, Kelly won for Best Male R&B Performance, Best R&B Song and Best Song from a Movie or TV.

Singers Puff Daddy, Sarah McLachlan and Erykah Badu each won two awards, while Paula Cole, nominated in seven categories, was named Best New Artist.

Babyface, the artist with the most nominations, was named Producer of the Year for the third consecutive year on Wednesday afternoon.

In Pop Music, Elton John won for "Candle in the Wind 1997," while, Jamiroquai won for "Virtual Insanity."

The show opened with Will Smith performing his nominated hit "Men in Black." The singer then took home the evening's first award for Best Rap Solo Performance, "gettin' jiggy wit' it" as Grammar commented.

Other performances of the evening included songs by Erykah Badu, Hanson, Babyface, Vince Gill, Fleetwood Mac, Shawn Colvin, Sarah McLachlan and Paula Cole — whose performances included a rare rap session.

Two new categories were created for the show, with winners named in the long-unrecognized areas of Best Dance Recording and Remixer of the Year.

Another notable point of the Grammy event was the dedication of rap and R&B awards to late rap artists Tupac Shakur and the Notorious B.I.G.

Winners Puff Daddy and Will Smith dedicated their awards to the pair for their contributions in overcoming "the

rap dark ages," according to Smith.

Other winners of the evening included Johnny Cash for Best Country Album, Radiohead for Best Alternative Performance, Smashing Pumpkins for Best Hard Rock Performance and John Fogerty for Best Rock Album.

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Shawn Colvin was honored at this year's Grammys for Best Song of the Year and Best Record of the Year.



TODAY

MOVIES — INTERNATIONAL CINEMA

Three films are at International Cinema, 250 SWKT, this week. Showtimes are for today only; information is provided by IC. "Pelle the Conqueror" (1988, 2 hrs. 18 min.) is about a boy's experiences in a rough society as he seeks light, hope, and to conquer the world. It's in Danish and Swedish with English subtitles and shows at 5:15 p.m. "The Navigator: An Odyssey Across Time" (1989, 1 hr. 32 min.) is about a 14th-century group fleeing from a plague. It's in English and will be shown at 7:50 p.m. "The Trip to Bountiful" (1985, 1 hr. 46 min.) is an Academy Award-winning film about a Texas woman desiring to return to her home before she dies. It's in English and will be shown at 3:15 p.m. Admission to all shows is free with an IC card; \$1 without.

THEATER — MUSICAL COMEDY: "Forever Plaid" will be per-

formed at Provo Theatre Company, 105 E. 100 North, at 8 p.m. It's musical comedy that both parodies and pays homage to the music of the early '60s. Tickets are \$12.50 and \$15, with some student discount available. Call 379-0600 for more information.

THEATER — COMEDY: "Angels on the Loose" will be performed at the Hale Center Theater, Orem, 2 W. 400 North, at 7:30 p.m. The show is written by Orem resident Ruth Haas and is about a widow and widower who reluctantly help the find love. Tickets are \$6-9; call 228-8600 for specific information or reservations.

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YU guard Amanda Covington defends against a Colorado State player during BYU's loss Feb. 12 at the Marriott Center. The Cougars lost Tulsa tonight, but the game will not count in the WAC standings.

Cougars look to run on Golden Hurricane

By CHELSEA LEINENBACH
University Sports Writer

Having already secured fifth place in the WAC's Mountain Division for the season, the BYU women's basketball team will face off against Tulsa in the Marriott Center tonight at 7:00 p.m.

After winning two consecutive games on the road, the Cougars are back home for their final regular season game. BYU beat UNLV and Air Force on the road last week.

Tonight's game is a crossover game and will not count in the conference standings.

"If we play well, and like we know how, then I really think we will come out with a victory," said Cougar guard Mandy Mink.

BYU has secured fifth place in the Mountain Division with a 6-8 WAC and 12-13 overall record. Tulsa is in 11th place in the Pacific Division with a 5-9 finish.

Though tonight's game doesn't affect WAC standings, the Cougars still need this win in order to maintain their momentum going into the WAC tournament.

"We don't look at this game any dif-

ferent than any other," said guard Mindy Cutler. "It is important to build our confidence. We also have to just maintain our focus and not let up."

"If we win this game, it will be a three game winning streak and it will help our confidence all that much more," she said.

In order to win tonight's game and continue their winning streak, team members said they will not let the game's insignificance get to them.

The Golden Hurricane are 5-9 and 9-16 on the season. The last time the Cougars faced Tulsa, BYU picked up a 70-64 victory on the road.

"Last time we beat Tulsa, we pretty much had control of the ball the whole time," Cutler said. "We really maintained our intensity and it was a whole team effort."

"I think we will win again. The mentality of our team right now is really good, and I really think that we will win. I think we have the confidence we need," she said.

BYU travels to Las Vegas for the WAC Championship at the Thomas and Mack Center on the UNLV campus. The Cougars first tournament game will be against Fresno State at 9:30 p.m. Monday.

"We don't look at this game any dif-

Men's basketball battles 15th-ranked New Mexico

By ADAM WHITTEN
University Sports Writer

BYU head basketball coach Steve Cleveland insists that the Cougars' game with New Mexico tonight is important.

All the focus and attention of the Cougar faithful is on Saturday's game against UTEP. Although a spot in the WAC tournament and an extended season hangs on the game with the Miners, BYU must first deal with No. 15 New Mexico.

New Mexico's postseason fortunes could have taken a major blow in its last game against TCU. If getting blown out 95-64 by the Horned Frogs was not enough, the Lobos may have lost senior guard Royce Olney for the rest of the season to a knee injury. Olney, New Mexico's leading three-point shooter, was averaging 14.8 points per game.

The Cougars enter tonight's game a better team than they were a month ago when the two teams met. In three of its last four games, BYU has played its best basketball of the season, Cleveland said.

The Cougars got stellar performances from point guard Brian Hamilton and center Bret Jepsen against UNLV.

It was Hamilton's best game this season, Cleveland said. Jepsen, who Cleveland had hoped would contribute all year, finally made his presence known, he said.

"I think that it's important for us, win or lose, to go out and compete," Cleveland said. "We need to go out and compete, play hard and not back down."

Women golfers snatch 13th in stormy California tourney

By CARLON SCOTT
University Sports Writer

The BYU women's golf team left for Los Angeles on Monday to compete in the Pioneer Electronics Bruin Classic at Menefee Country Club.

The team needed to place higher than Pepperdine University to solidify a slot in the regionals of the NCAA tournament later this season.

The team was successful, finishing in a three-way tie for 13th place with the University of New Mexico and the University of Oklahoma.

The Cougars shot a 638 in a tournament that was cut from 54 to 36 holes due to heavy storms Tuesday.

Monday's round was played in steady rain. After Tuesday's play was canceled, the weather was clear and sunny for Wednesday's round.

The Cougars were led by junior Jamie Stevenson and senior Susanne

Gillemo. Both golfers shot 156 for the tournament and tied for 38th overall in the individual rankings.

BYU freshman Summer Fenstermaker led the Cougars in Wednesday's round.

Fenstermaker shot a 76, the second-best score so far in her first collegiate season.

On Monday Gillemo shot a 76 to lead the team.

Stevenson had the second-best score for the Cougars on Wednesday as well as Monday. She went into the clubhouse with a

"The weather was perfect, and there were a lot of good scores out there."

— Gary Howard,
women's golf coach

78 on both days.

Women's golf coach Gary Howard was impressed with the play of his team Wednesday.

"The weather was perfect, and there were a lot of good scores out there," said Howard in a news release issued Wednesday. "With Summer playing the way she did, we could have moved up into the top 10, but it just didn't happen."

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U.S. athletes improve track team

This is the third story in a series on foreign athletes' track teams.

ANNIE BRIDGE
Sports Writer

BYU's motto of "the campus" literally means that the Cougars come from Hong Kong, high school competitive level is the standard is really

represented Hong Kong as a National Team and Asia competing in the holds Hong Kong 1500-meters, mile, and 5,000-meters. Starting the indoor track and field so she can be ready for her best during the out-

of-members of the Cougars' champion cross country team. In 1996, Chan was All-WAC Indoor and track team and also a senior scholar athlete.

She is the exact opposite in many ways. She competes in hurdles and the long jump of distance running, and Hamburg, Germany

competing in track and field when she was very young. Her father coached at BYU. He took her to practice

until she was old enough to compete. Her father was a boys' team coach, so Bolm always practiced with boys.

Her brother, who is four years older, also competes in track for Germany. Bolm won the German Junior Championships in the 100-meter hurdles and the long jump many times while living in Germany. In 1992, as the youngest competitor, she placed fifth in the 100-meter hurdles at the World Junior Championships. By 1994 Bolm had improved enough to win the 100-meter hurdles at the World Junior Championships.

This is Bolm's first season competing for BYU. While trying to qualify for the NCAA Indoor Championships at the Husker Invitational on Feb. 13, she hurt her foot. This puts Bolm out of competition until outdoor season begins.

Coming to the United States for Chan meant better facilities, better weather and better competition. In Hong Kong, Chan said that she was the fastest runner but only competed four times.

"Against other people it's a race, against time it's just a time trial," Chan said.

In Hong Kong, sports in general, and track in particular, is not promoted. Athletes live in a training center for all the national athletes which can be hard. When you finish high school you are basically done with athletics because people would rather work than do activities Chan said.

"The top runners are all from China," Chan said.

To give an example of this, Chan said that in China around ten people can run the 1500-meters in under 4 minutes. In the rest of the world

ability to play with Weber State. For the IceCats to win, they must play as a team. Everybody will have to contribute, said IceCats goalie Jody Brucker.

The team's strategy is to stay out of the penalty box and play as a team. The team depends on Brucker to play well. Brucker understands his role. "I've got to stop the puck," Brucker said.

Win or lose, the IceCats have reached their season goal — to make the playoffs.

"It helps to justify all the hard work we've put into this season," Brucker said.

The players have sacrificed time, money and sleep to be able to be

members of the IceCats.

A problem that faced the team this season was finding practice time. It

practiced at the Utah Lake State Park

ice rink early in the mornings where

the snow and the cold made practice

difficult for the players. Several practices

had to be canceled because of

severe weather.

If the IceCats win today, then they

will play Friday at 11:30 a.m. in

Ogden. If they lose, they will play

Friday at 8 a.m.

Four teams are fighting for first

place. The play-offs will feature

Weber State, Utah State, New Mexico

and IceCats. The playoffs will follow

a double elimination schedule.

Some sports aren't really sports

With all the hype of the Nagano Olympics already a distant memory, I have decided to address what I think is a very important issue in the sports world.

Many sports competitions people think are sports aren't really sports.

Confused? Let me explain.

Many so-called sporting events aren't really sports. They are merely demonstrations.

You see, a real sport is an athletic event where judges don't directly decide who wins.

Umpires? Referees? Fine. Real sports need someone to enforce the rules of the game and to make close judgement calls.

But when there are people who actually decide who wins, based on some criteria someone else in their position may not agree with, it is not a sport. It is a demonstration, a glorified dog show.

Judges in these sports watch a performance and decide who wins. That's not right. Granted, judges are usually experts in their field and have a trained eye to determine a good performance, but there is too much room for error.

After all, their decisions could depend on a lot of things, the least of which are political (especially at the Olympics.)

Any competition where the winner is clearly defined as the athlete or team who scores more points or finishes first is a real sport.

Let us look at a few so-called "sports" and see whether they are really sports or not.

Swimming is obviously a sport, because it is a race. The winner is the person who finishes first. Swimming's cousins, diving and synchronized swimming, however, are not real sports.

Downhill and slalom skiing are sports, again, because they are races.

Ski jumping and freestyle skiing are

not.

Speed skating is a sport. Figure skating is not.

Wrestling is a sport, but I think there is too much room for error in calls by the ref.

Gymnastics? No, although I would

n't want to argue this with any gymnast. Those people are built.

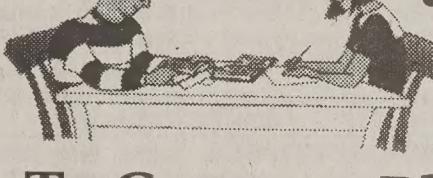
Boxing is a tough one, and based on the criteria I have presented in the above paragraphs, it will be discussed and argued for ages to

come. But boxing, despite a referee who can stop a fight and the judges who decide who wins what round, is still a sport. Any contest in which a man is determined to be the winner because he knocks his opponent unconscious is definitely a sport, and a very manly sport at that.

Based on that rationale, hockey is a sport, too.

I don't mean to say that competitions that aren't sports aren't important. Millions of people watch the Olympics just to see women's figure

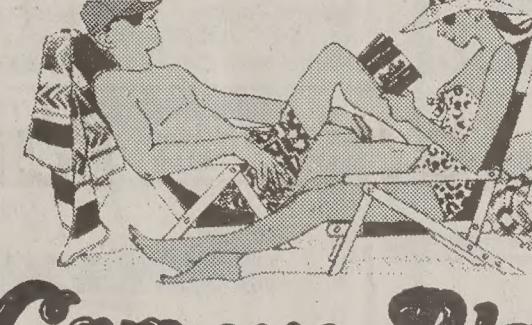
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President promises lighter hand in S. Korea

Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — Kim Dae-jung, once South Korea's leading dissident, became its president Wednesday, pledging to revive the nation's economy and end corrupt, authoritarian rule.

But hours after his inauguration, opponents blocked ratification of his choice for prime minister.

In its first action since taking power, Kim's minority governing party asked the National Assembly to ratify the nomination of Kim Jong-pil, a former government intelligence chief and now the president's coalition partner.

The unicameral legislature couldn't even convene because the majority Grand National Party boycotted the session.

The fight over the nomination boded ill for the new president's ability to overcome vested interests and enact the political and economic reforms he has promised.

Among those in attendance at the inauguration were two past targets of Kim's ire — former presidents Chun Doo-hwan and Roh Tae-woo, ex-army generals who took power in a coup in 1979, arrested Kim on sedition charges and condemned him to death.

Kim spared them any recriminations in his inauguration speech Wednesday, focusing instead on praising democracy and rallying South Koreans to combat the country's economic ills.

Acknowledging the problems facing him in restoring South Korea's shattered economy, Kim urged his opponents to give him a honeymoon "if only for one year — this year — when the nation is standing on the brink of disaster."

Ranked as the world's 11th largest only six months ago, South Korea's economy plummeted late last year and had to be bailed out by the International Monetary Fund with a record aid package of \$57 billion.

The economy was destroyed, Kim said, because "the political, economic and financial leaders of this country were tainted by a collusive link between politics and business."

He promised a smaller, more responsive "government of the people" that will push both democracy and economic development.

"Every nation that has embraced both democracy and a market economy has been successful," he said.

Saying he will try to thaw long frozen relations with communist North Korea, the new president proposed that the two Koreas exchange special envoys to discuss rapprochement.

Kim also renewed his earlier proposal for a summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong Il. In an apparent response to Kim's earlier offer, North Korea said last week that it is willing to talk with the new South Korean government.

Kim set forth three principles as the basis for peaceful coexistence — no North Korean armed provocation, no South Korean attempt to absorb North Korea, and expanded business, cultural and other exchanges.

He also pledged not to seek revenge for his years of persecution by previous rulers in the 1970s and '80s.

He took a major step toward national reconciliation shortly after his December election when he successfully sought the release of former dictators Chun and Roh, convicted and jailed for their role in the 1979 coup.

Dome to show future choices

Associated Press

LONDON — A hollow sculpture larger than the Statue of Liberty, a fake Antarctic and an artificial dreamland where visitors can travel on boats shaped like beds — these are some of the attractions inside Britain's vaunted Millennium Dome.

Prime Minister Tony Blair announced some of the dome's highlights at Tuesday's official launch of the \$1.2 billion project.

The dome is rising from a derelict site along the River Thames, squarely on the Greenwich Meridian, source of Greenwich Mean Time. It is envisioned as the venue for national celebrations of the new century, a boost for national prestige and a reminder of Britain's former glories.

"Nowhere is doing anything like it. It promises to be the most fantastic day out in the world," Blair told industry leaders.

Critics call the dome a useless waste of money and a monument only to politicians' egos.

Britain's national lottery is contributing \$665 million, and British Airways, British Telecommunications PLC and other corporate sponsors have written large checks — but \$250 million is still needed.

Attractions are designed to "open up the choices facing humankind in the

21st century and beyond: How we might work, rest and play; what our bodies and minds can do and how beliefs are formed," the organizers said.

Dominated by a 170-foot hollow sculpture of a seated human body will be the Body Zone, which promises a voyage inside the human machine.

Visitors will enter the figure — which is taller than the 151-foot-high Statue of Liberty — at waist level and leave via the right leg, after touring exhibitions on human biology, medicinal advances and unsolved health problems.

A triangular structure built of black glass will be the central attraction of an "oasis of calm and reflection," where visitors will contemplate a laser rising from the center of the floor.

Another zone will show classrooms of the future and use virtual reality technology to let visitors experience a range of jobs.

A "floater-coaster" ride through a series of dream environments will stress the importance of relaxation. Other exhibits will explore mankind's spiritual, emotional and moral dimensions and hi-tech play.

Half of the dome's contents are still secret, including areas that focus on creativity, money and communications technology.

Suspect gets trial date for negligent homicide

Associated Press

PRICE — An April 30 trial date has been set for a man who prosecutors say is responsible for the deaths of two young children last summer.

Steven A. Peterson was driving his friend and her two children to Colorado June 11 when the 1968 Volkswagen van they were in rolled twice in Price Canyon.

Skyler Peterson, 7, (no relation to the driver), was not wearing a seat belt, and 2-year-old Kaliel Winter wasn't strapped into an infant car seat. Both died in the crash. Peterson and the mother of the children, Amadee Peterson, 31, survived the crash.

Peterson was charged with two counts of misdemeanor negligent homicide. The charges were filed

because Peterson allegedly was driving 80 mph in a 55 mph zone and because the children were sleeping on blankets in the back of the van, said Deputy Carbon County Attorney George Harmon.

"We're most distressed that there isn't anything higher we could charge him with," Harmon said. "He was in an unfamiliar canyon road and unfamiliar vehicle. It was a vehicle not designed (to operate) at that rate of speed."

While it may be difficult to tell if seat belts absolutely would have saved the children, "statistics will bear out that people who are belted have a much higher rate of survival," he said. If convicted of both class A misdemeanors, Peterson could spend up to a year in jail on each count.

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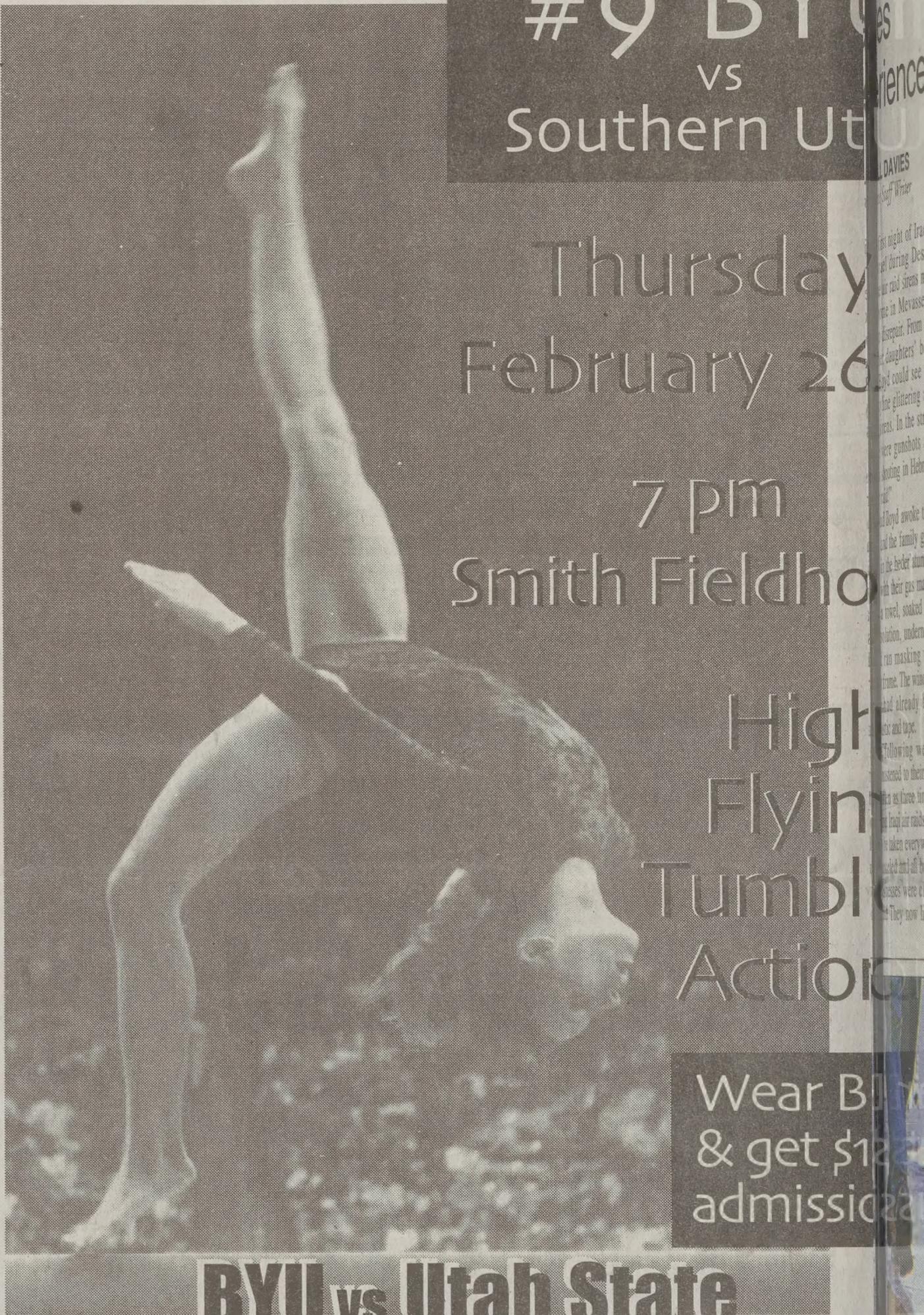
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